

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims in their current form are as follows.

Claims 1-23 (Cancelled).

24. (Previously presented) A method of providing ~~an~~ interactive on-line memorials for deceased persons, comprising the steps of:

a. providing a plurality of memorial sites on a main website, the main website and the plurality of memorial sites being accessible on-line via a workstation, wherein the plurality of memorial sites includes at least a first memorial site corresponding to a first deceased person and a second memorial site corresponding to a second deceased person;

b. supplying to an individual associated with the first deceased person a password for editing one or more pages of the first memorial site from a workstation, wherein (1) the password provides editing access to the first memorial site but does not provide editing access to the second memorial site; (2) the password is supplied after the first deceased person becomes deceased; and (3) the password is not required for viewing access; and

c. providing for inputting of the password to permit an individual to use the password to gain editing access to the first memorial site.

25. (Previously presented) A method of providing interactive on-line memorials, comprising the steps of:

a. providing a website connected to a web server, the website having a plurality of memorial sites, including a first memorial site that includes a web page that contains a history of a first deceased person and also includes one or more web pages that include condolences directed to the family of the first deceased person, the website and the plurality of memorial sites being accessible on-line for viewing via a workstation without the need to use a password;

b. providing an editing password after the death of the first deceased person for editing the first memorial site from a workstation, wherein the editing password provides editing access to pages of the first memorial site that cannot be edited without an editing password, but that can be viewed on-line without an editing password;

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c. preparing the first memorial site for a first deceased person by inputting a first data set to the first memorial site, the first data set comprising preliminary information, including the name of the first deceased person; and

d. providing for accessing of the website and for inputting the first editing password to gain editing access to the first memorial site.

26. (Cancelled).

27. (Cancelled).

28. (Cancelled).

29. (Previously Presented) A method for creating a personalized on-line memorial site for a deceased individual, the memorial site being part of a main website stored on a web server, the method comprising the steps of:

logging onto the website from a workstation;

inputting a password from the workstation to gain editing access to a first set of pages, the first set of pages being protected from access by users who do not input the password, wherein the first set of pages includes a page having a first template having fields for inputting the deceased individual's name, date of birth, date of death and personal history; and

filling the fields in the first template by inputting the personal information in the fields, the personal information including the deceased individual's name, to provided inputted personal information;

providing a second template assigned to the deceased individual, the second template including at least some of the fields of the first template along with the inputted personal information, such information being stored in memory on the web server, the second template being accessible for on-line editing from the main workstation, wherein a memorial display page is provided, the memorial display page being stored on the web server, the memorial display page including the personal information inputted into the first template, the memorial display page being accessible on-line to users without a password.

30. (Cancelled).

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31. (Original) The method of Claim 29, wherein the workstation is a funeral director workstation, located in a funeral home.

32. (Original) The method of Claim 29, wherein the second template forms part of a second set of pages, the second template being accessible for editing by use of a family password.

33. (Original) The method of Claim 29, wherein the password is a funeral director password.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of Claim 29, wherein the password is a funeral director password, wherein the second template forms part of a second set of pages, the second template being accessible for editing by use of a family member password, and wherein the method additionally comprises the step of editing the second template using either the funeral director password or the family member password to provide an altered second template stored in the web server, and to provide an altered memorial display page stored in the web server, the altered memorial display page being accessible on-line to users without use of either the funeral director password or the family member password.

35. (Previously Presented) A method of providing interactive on-line memorials for deceased persons, comprising the steps of:

- a. hosting a website on a web server, wherein the website comprises a main website maintained for a funeral home and a plurality of memorial sites;
- b. accessing, using a first password, a set of one or more template web-pages;
- c. generating, from the set of template web-pages, an online memorial for a deceased individual, wherein the information in the online memorial comprises a history of the deceased person integrated with at least one of the template web pages;
- d. publishing the online memorial on the main website; and
- e. providing an interface, accessed using an editing password, that the sponsors of the online memorial may use to edit to the online memorial, wherein the editing password allows the sponsors of the online memorial access to the online memorial created for the deceased

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individual, but not editing access to other portions of the main website or other online memorials hosted on the web server.

36. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 35 wherein the information in the online memorial further comprises one or more web pages that include an area for the entry of condolences directed to the family of the first deceased person.

37. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 35, wherein information in the online memorial further comprises information about the services being provided for the deceased by the funeral home that is accessible only using the first password.

38. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 35, wherein the provided interface comprises a web-based interface, accessible through a web browser, wherein the interface is configured to receive an editing password from the sponsors of the memorial site and to allow authenticated sponsors to modify, alter, add, delete or augment the contents of the online memorial and template web pages.

39. (Previously Presented) A method of providing interactive on-line memorials, comprising the steps of:

a. providing a website connected to a web server, the website having a plurality of memorial sites, including a first memorial site that includes a web page that contains a history of a first deceased person and also includes one or more web pages that include condolences directed to the family of the first deceased person, the website and the plurality of memorial sites being accessible on-line for viewing via a workstation without the need to use a password;

b. providing an editing password after the death of the first deceased person for editing the first memorial site from a workstation, wherein the editing password provides editing access to pages of the first memorial site that cannot be edited without an editing password, but that can be viewed on-line without an editing password;

c. providing for the preparation of a first memorial site for a first deceased person by inputting a first data set to the first memorial site from a first workstation, the first data set comprising preliminary information, including the name of the first deceased person wherein a first level of editing access is required for inputting the first data set to the first memorial site, and said first level of editing access is provided by use of a first confidential password, and

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d. providing for the editing of the first memorial site from a second workstation after the first data set is entered to the first memorial site, wherein providing for by using the accessing of the website and for inputting the first editing password to gain editing access to the first memorial site, wherein a first workstation has a first level of editing access to the memorial site by use of a first confidential password; a second workstation has a second level of editing access to the memorial site by use of a second confidential password; and a third workstation has no editing access to the memorial site, but has viewing access to the memorial site.